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**Delaware Workforce Development Board Awards \$4.4 Million** 

Wilmington Del. April 7, 2015 – The Delaware Workforce Development Board –

formerly the Delaware Workforce Investment Board – announced training awards

Tuesday from its annual Request For Proposal (RFP) process.

About \$4.4 million of state blue collar and federal youth funds were awarded in the

annual competitive process where training providers submit proposals based on criteria

established by the board.

The RFP process is an important part of setting the stage for Delaware's economic

future said DWDB Deputy Director Bill Potter.

"Everything we do is focused on making Delaware the state of choice to start and

grow a business. Ensuring high quality training opportunities exist for our resident's

moves our state forward toward this goal," he said. "Having a ready and able workforce

makes Delaware more attractive than ever to our homegrown employers and business

looking for a great place to relocate."

The Delaware Workforce Development Board ensures the citizens of Delaware are provided with occupational training and employment service opportunities to help them achieve employment sustaining them and their families. We also seek to communicate with our business industry partners to provide them with qualified workers to meet their employment needs. The DWIB also has a very active Youth Council that has oversight

for programs designed specifically to help Delaware's at-risk and neediest youth

prepare for the workforce.